## HEADQUARTERS AIR MOBILITY COMMAND EARTH DAY 2003 PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the first Earth Day was celebrated in the United States 33 years ago on 22 April 1970;

Whereas, Earth Day is observed universally, in concert with thousands of communities throughout the nation and the world, and at all twelve of our Air Mobility Command installations;

Whereas, the celebration of Earth Day is a fitting expression of our global concern for the land we hold and care for as trusted stewards of the People of the United States of America; and,

Whereas, we embrace the Department of Defense 2003 official Earth Day slogan "Preserving the Environment While Protecting Our Freedom" as the official Earth Day 2003 theme for Headquarters Air Mobility Command;

Now, therefore, as Chairman, Air Mobility Command Environmental, Safety, and Occupational Health Committee, I do hereby proclaim Earth Day 2003 for Air Mobility Command, and urge all our military and civilian employees to enthusiastically support efforts to promote the well-being of the earth's environment on our installations and surrounding communities; and,

Further, I urge all Air Mobility Command military and civilian staff members and their families to actively do their part to plant trees, pick up litter, recycle, and conserve water and energy to gladden the hearts and promote the well-being of this and all future generations. Given this 22nd day of April 2003.

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